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SUBJECT: AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAYTON ACT

REF: BRUSSELS 14476

1. THE ADMINISTRATION HAS YET TO TAKE A FORMAL POSITION
ON PENDING AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAYTON ACT, ALTHOUGH DEPART-
MENTS OF JUSTICE AND STATE HAVE WRITTEN COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
RODINO GIVING VIEWS. DEPARTMENT OF STATE BELIEVES THAT
THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT RESTRICTING THE ACCESS OF FOREIGN
GOVERNMENTS UNDER THE CLAYTON ACT IS NOT IN THE NATIONAL
INTEREST. SUCH AN AMENDMENT WOULD IMPEDE OUR ATTEMPTS TO
PROMOTE INCREASED ANTI-TRUST VIGILANCE BY OTHER COUNTRIES
AND TO IMPROVE COORDINATION BETWEEN GOVERNMENTS TO REDUCE
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ANTI-COMPETITIVE CONDUCT IN RESTRAINT OF INTERNATIONAL
TRADE. SUCH AN AMENDMENT WOULD WEAKEN SOMEWHAT U.S. COM-
MITMENT TO THE DOCTRINE OF COMITY AMONG NATIONS WHICH WE
RELY UPON IN URGING OTHER GOVERNMENTS TO COOPERATE WITH
OUR ANTI-TRUST ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS.

2. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LETTER IS ALONG SIMILAR LINES

AND ALSO INDICATES CONCERN THAT THIS AMENDMENT MAY BE USED
AS A MEANS TO DELAY OR DEFEAT OTHER ASPECTS OF ANTI-TRUST
LEGISLATION VIEWED AS VITAL TO EFFECTIVE ENFORCEMENT.

3. FYI. AMENDMENTS ARE STILL PENDING WITHIN COMMITTEE. VANCE

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